

Amendments to the Specification:

12/5/08
GP
Page ⁵~~7~~, after paragraph [0017], insert new paragraph [0017.1] as follows:

[0017.1] Fig. 4A is a side view of a main annular portion of a rubber crawler running device according to the present invention.

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line ²⁰ 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Reference numeral 70 indicates a guide skirt ~~body~~ bodies formed by ~~ana~~ annular circuitous body. Annular bodies 70 ~~are~~ which is provided along right and left side portions of the engaging teeth 53. In this example, the guide skirt body is disposed at a portion which at least does not contact the road surface and at which the rubber projections 61 engage with the engaging teeth 53. The guide skirt body includes ~~ana~~ annular circuitous body bodies 70 extending ~~from the vehicle body~~ to the right and left sides of the rubber projections 61 with predetermined gaps therebetween. The gaps between the right and left sides of the rubber projections 61 and the guide skirt body are set such that the total width of the gaps between the rubber projections 61 and the annular circuitous body bodies 70 is equal to or less than the width of the rubber projection 61 in the transverse direction thereof. When the width W of the rubber projection 61 in the transverse direction is, for example, 80 mm, a gap W0 between the rubber projections 61 and the portion of the annular circuitous body 70 which is disposed at the right and left sides of the engaging teeth 53 is 40 mm or less, and preferably about 20 mm. Specifically, the annular circuitous body bodies 70 ~~is~~ are curved closer to the drive wheel 52 than its base portion 71 is, which extends from the vehicle body. ~~The~~ Each annular circuitous body 70 may conveniently have a substantially circular cross section. It ~~suffices if the annular body 70 is fixed to an appropriate portion of the vehicle body.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In this example, ~~the~~ each guide skirt body (annular circuitous body) 70 is disposed so as not to pinch the right and left portions of the rubber projections 61 at a portion of the